

March 5, 2009

Meeting began at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Gladys LeFevre, Randy Catmull, Councilmembers; Judi Davis, Clerk; Pete and Cookie Schaus, Matt Cochran and Constance Lynn, Tim Mutcher, Boz Bosworth and Bobbie Cleave, Denise Pennington, Daniel Reeder, Katie Austin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Randy made a motion we accept the minutes of February 5 as written. Gladys seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Constance gave a report on a meeting held regarding recycling. Blake, the Lodge, Lisa and Donna will participate, paying a fee of about \$50 each. Locations for the town central site were discussed. (Mike Nelson and Alyssa Thompson came.) The Mayor reported on the town's sales and resort tax revenues for the past two years and compared them with this year's income to date. We are down some from this time last year, but we have been able to save some so may be able to draw from that to help with the recycling costs.

Possible places for a community collection point are the parking area west of the fire department or near the other dumpsters at the north end of this lot. The Escalante company could pick up plastic and glass, and cans and cardboard could be stored at Mark Austin's property behind the cemetery. Loch could be there twice a week for people to bring things. Katie contacted Jim Jensen up north who has a recycling business and would come and bale the recyclables and haul them off, possibly with no fee. Or, it could be done in Escalante if the volume isn't great enough to warrant Mr. Jensen's coming here. Loch will work with all parties. We can check with Wayne County to see if we might connect with their new program.

We would need widely distributed aluminum collection bins/containers. Loch would like to collect the cardboard and shred it for use as mulch. Tim has leveled the parking lot area and plans to put boulders around it, as well as placing a retaining wall on the north. He needs some guidelines so he can separate a collection area from the parking area. It should be screened from view and away from the park area.

If the Town can come up with \$200/month for three months and the program gets up and running successfully, we may not have to pay more after that. Randy suggested Katie get in touch with Mr. Jensen and see if he can come here. We would call a special meeting to

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see what he would propose. Individual businesses can provide can containers if they want. A space 20' x 20-30' could be made near the fire house.

Mike continued last month's discussion on a request that UDOT not spray herbicides on

the highway right-of-way. He contacted Wade Barney, who said that 2,4-D is the spray they usually use, although they didn't spray in Boulder last year. Mike presented information he found on the harmful effects of that chemical on health and on water supplies. It was also reported that it impairs honeybee brood construction. He feels it seems worthwhile to ask UDOT not to spray. Gladys suggested that he ask someone at a State level if the spray is mandated or if there is another chemical or some other program that would keep the weeds down. Bill asked Mike to call Wade and see if we should contact him or someone higher to voice our concerns. Boz asked if there is a mosquito abatement program, as they use chemicals that are especially harmful. We're not aware of one.

Mike is writing a grant to the Humanities Council to get a traveling exhibit on the roots of music and would like a letter of support from the Town. Gladys made a motion we sign a letter of support. Randy seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The Planning Commission is having public hearings on two matters next week. If they approve either or both, the Council will need to hold (a) public hearing(s) to consider their recommendation(s). We will schedule them for 7:30 and 7:45 (if needed) the night of our regular meeting in April.

Katie asked if she could set a container to collect only aluminum cans behind the Post Office. Permission was given.

Constance asked if there are cell phone towers on the hill by the television antennas. There are not.

Tim asked what the Council decided on removing the fences in front and on the north of the Town Hall. A decision hasn't been made. We need to place it on the agenda for the April meeting so we can get input from townspeople.

Wendell wasn't here to give a report on roads, but we are aware that the County has no plans to do asphalt work. We will write to the County Commissioners expressing our need to chip seal.

A building permit was issued to Jim Smith for a home and a hay shed.

Gladys reported on the cemetery meeting. She will work with Farlan to have a road

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through the cemetery from the south to the north and then out the west side.

Randy will be at the Planning Commission meeting next week. He encouraged people to come and voice their opinions.

Randy made a motion we adjourn. Gladys seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting closed at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk

Approved by Bill Muse, Mayor